## **A RESOLUTION**

## BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TASK FORCE TO SERVE AS A CLEARING-HOUSE FOR DIALOG AND DISCUSSION OF IDEAS IN THE EXPLORATION OF THE PHENOMENON OF PERSONS EXPOSING THEIR UNDERGARMENTS IN A PUBLIC SETTING; TO SEEK FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THIS ISSUE; TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING POSSIBLE RESOLUTIONS TO THIS DILEMMA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas, the City has the responsibility to regulate and prohibit any act, practice, or conduct which is detrimental or likely to be detrimental, to the health, sanitation, cleanliness, welfare and safety of the inhabitants of the City and to provide for the enforcement of such standards; and

Whereas, the City has the power to make, ordain, and establish such ordinances, rules and regulations as shall appear necessary for the security, welfare, convenience and interest of the City and its inhabitants and for preserving the health, peace, order and good government of the City; and

Whereas, pursuant to its police powers, the City is authorized to enact legislation to regulate certain conduct which could affect the public health, safety and welfare; and

Whereas, the dress fad of wearing low hanging/saggy pants which exposes one's underwear is becoming a major concern for communities, cities and states around the country; and

Whereas, some jurisdictions are taking action to limit the exposure of one's underwear in a public setting by enacting legislation which impose sanctions for the violation thereof; and

Whereas, this issue is being debated in other parts of the country, in school districts and among elected officials who are seeking remedies and solutions to curtail this practice which has become an epidemic among our youth; and

Whereas, it is believed that a task force populated by a cross-section of community representatives is an effective way to discuss, dialog, debate, vet and attempt to fashion proposals which my serve as possible solutions to this dilemma and to present those recommendations to the Atlanta City Council.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES, as follows:

Section 1: A task force is hereby created to serve as a clearing-house for dialog and discussion of ideas in the exploration of the phenomenon of persons exposing their undergarments in a public setting. The task force will be composed of volunteers.

Section 2: Task force objectives: through the use of public hearings, forums meetings and other forms of communication, the task force will solicit, through discussion, dialog and debate,....comments and feedback from the general public regarding the issue of exposing one's undergarments as a fashion statement and what should, could or shouldn't be done about it and after said discussions, public hearings and forums, to make suggestions and recommendations to the City Council as to possible resolutions to this dilemma.

<u>Section 3:</u> <u>Timeline for completion:</u> One hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of approval of this resolution.

Section 4: Documentation of proceedings: Written minutes will be taken, kept and filed with the Public Safety and Legal Administration (PSLA) Committee at the conclusion of the work of the task force.

**Section 5:** Membership and attendance: A record of attendance will be taken, kept and filed with the PSLA Committee at the conclusion of the work of the task force.